



Metropolitan Water Pollution Abatement Advisory Committee

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March 2, 2006

The Honorable Ron Sims
King County Executive
Bank of America Tower
201 Fifth Avenue, Suite 3210
Seattle, WA 98104

The Honorable Larry Phillips, Chair
Metropolitan King County Council
Regional Water Quality Committee
Room 1200
C O U R T H O U S E

RE: I/I Control Program Recommendation

Dear Executive Sims and Council Member Phillips:

The Metropolitan Water Pollution Abatement Advisory Committee (MWWPAAC) concurs with and supports the recommendations made in the Executive's Recommended Regional Infiltration/Inflow (I/I) Control Program submitted to the Council in December 2005. Since the adoption of the Regional Wastewater Services Plan (RWSP) in 1999, MWWPAAC has actively participated in a six-year study of I/I in the region, that included numerous meetings, workshops and discussions with King County staff during development of this program recommendation called for in the RWSP. MWWPAAC was directly involved with locating and quantifying I/I flows in the regional wastewater collection system through comprehensive flow monitoring and modeling, testing rehabilitation methods through pilot projects, and analyzing the cost-effectiveness of I/I reduction in the region through a benefit/cost analysis.

Beginning in February 2002, the MWWPAAC Engineering & Planning (E&P) Subcommittee (formerly RWSP Subcommittee), in coordination with King County staff, worked to develop the Draft Standards, Guidelines, Policies and Procedures ("Draft Standards") submitted as part of the Executive's Program Recommendation. MWWPAAC concurs with the recommendation that the Draft Standards continue to remain draft during implementation of the initial I/I reduction projects. It is anticipated that the initial projects will provide further information about the cost-effectiveness and feasibility of I/I reduction work that will enable MWWPAAC membership to make more informed decisions about the content of the Draft Standards prior to finalizing them.

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MWPAAC recognizes that the Executive recommends that no amendments to the wastewater disposal agreements with local agencies or to the King County Code be made at this time, stating that it is preferred to wait until after completion of initial I/I reduction projects to reflect the final direction and elements of a long-term I/I control program. However, as the County is currently proposing to drop the I/I penalty currently contained within the Component Agency contracts as part of its negotiation on a contract extension, the timing for some contract and policy changes may very well need to be completed prior to the completion of the Initial Project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'DC', written in a cursive style.

David Christensen, Chair

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